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SUBJ: ROYAL AIR LAO FLIGHTS

- 1. PANYA SOUVANNA PHOUMA, PRESIDENT RAL, ADVISED ECON COUNSELOR THAT RAL BEGINNING NOVEMBER 26 WILL INAUGURATE BI-WEEKLY FLIGHTS VIENTIANE-HANOI-HONG KONG UTILIZING DC-4 AIRCRAFT. HE FURTHER STATED HOPEFULLY BEGINNING DECEMBER 1; ALL DETAILS HAVE AS YET NOT BEEN WORKED OUT, BI-WEEKLY FLIGHTS VIENTIANE-CANTON-VIENTIANE USING CARAVELLE AIRCRAFT WILL BE INAUGURATED. IF CANTON FLIGHT MATERIALIZES, RAL MIGHT WELL TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ITS LANDING RIGHTS IN KUALA LUMPUR AND FLY BI-WEEKLY KUALA LUMPUR-VIENTIANE-CANTON HOPING TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF PRESUMED DESIRE OF OVERSEAS CHINESE IN MALAYSIA TO VISIT CANTON WITHOUT TRANSITING HONG KONG.
- 2. RAL INTENDS INVESTIGATE FACILITIES GIALONG AIRPORT IN HANOI TO EXPLORE WHETHER CARAVELLE AIRCRAFT CAN BE UTILIZED. GIALONG SUPPOSEDLY IS 2000 METERS LONG WHICH MIGHT BE ADEQUATE THIS TYPE AIRCRAFT, HOWEVER, OBSTRUCTIONS ON EITHER END OF RUN-WAY MIGHT MAKE CARAVELLE UTILIZATION NOT FEASIBLE. WHITEHOUSE

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